trend as compared to the exports during the last year;

(b) what was the export of each during 1988-89 and 1989-90;

(c) what are the reasons for decline and what steps have been taken to improve the situation; and

(d) by when the remedial action would be put into effect ?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND TOURISM (SHRI ARUN KUMAR NEHRU) : (a) to (d) Exports of drugs and pharmaceuticals as a whole have increased from Rs. 400 crores in 1988-89 to Rs. 665 crores during 1989-90. However, the export of following drugs have shown decline because of high cost of imported inputs, lack of assured supplies of some Indian inputs and stiff international competition :

(Rs. in Lakhs)

Sl. No.	Name of the Drug	Exports 1988-89	Exports 1989-90
1	Potassium Iodide	887	876
2	Sodium Iodide	146	113
3	Paracetamol	226	131
4	Tolbutamide	160	77
5	Norfloxacin	64	37
6	Oxyphenbutazone	70	58
7	Metranidazole Benzoate	163	156
8	Membendazole	212	152
9	Methylopa	336	174
10	Amoxycillin Trihydrate	792	735
11	Cloxacillin Sodium	313	146
12	Doxycycline Hydrochloride	213	121

(*Source* : Basic Chemicals, Pharmaceuticals and Cosmetics Export Promotion Council, Bombay).

The Basic Chemical, Pharmaceuticals and Cosmetics Export Promotion Council is mounting due measures to identify overseas markets and products so as to maintain high overall levels of export growth in the sector. Incentives including the facility of duty free import of raw materials under the Duty Exemption Entitlement Scheme (DEEC), Duty Drawback, Replenishment Licence, Packing Credit Facility, Exemption under Section 80 HHC of income tax act in respect of export profits and Cash Compensatory Support wherever applicable are available to the exporters of drugs also. These incentives are intended to enhance the export competitiveness.

Payments of Cash Compensatory support on Export of Drugs

3402. CHOWDHARY RAM SEWAK : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) what are the names of 15 drugs which accounted for maximum CCS during the last three years, year-wise;

(b) what was the quantity of each exported and what was the fob value of exports and what was the CCS paid on each drug;

(c) whether it is a fact that CCS was paid on fob value;

(d) if so, in how many cases;

(e) whether any instances of irregularities came to the notice of his Ministry; and

(f) if so, what are the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND TOURISM (SHRI ARUN KUMAR NEHRU) : (a) to (f) Information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the House.